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MEMORANDUM FOR: Project Director

SUBJECT : General Balmer and the TALENT System

REFERENCES : A. SAPC-19984, 26 October 1957, paragraph 1
B. SAPC-19962, 22 October 1957, paragraph 3

1. In reference A, responding to your comment in reference B, I indicated that we were setting up a TALENT center with General Balmer and arranging for his being briefed.

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2. The TALENT center has been established. A courier delivered the paper attached at Tab A entitled "Summary of Preliminary Analysis of Recently Acquired TALENT Materials" which was prepared for me by [REDACTED] of OCI. Recently [REDACTED] the TCO DDP, returned from a Far Eastern trip in which he visited General Balmer who expressed his gratification at the service accorded him in these matters, noting especially the fine position in which he now finds himself with the Theatre Commander, Admiral Stump. Admiral Stump had received through the military TALENT center bits and pieces of TALENT material but had no analytical briefing such as this.

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3. At the time that the above was accomplished, it also seemed wise to prepare a comparable piece for [REDACTED] at [REDACTED]. The dispatch on that subject is at Tab B.

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4. All of the foregoing activities were coordinated with the DD/I and DD/P and, of course, the TALENT Security Officer.

5. From time to time, as seems useful, I will see to it that further supplementary analyses are made available to Balmer and [REDACTED]

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Attachments

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